

CT-279

ADELINA SCHOOL (PURPORTED)

(c. 1900)

Bowens

Private

Available evidence suggests that this building was a c. 1900 school that was originally located across the road and was moved to this site in the 1930s. Other anecdotal evidence suggests that it was, instead, a post office. This small, one by two bay, wood-framed, gable-roofed building is fenestrated with six over six, double hung windows and sheathed in tar paper.

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE STATE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Adelina School (purported) (CT-279)

a) Historical Period Theme: Social/Education/Cultural

b) Geographic Organization: Western Shore

c) Chronological/Developmental Period:

Agricultural-Industrial Transition, A.D. 1870-1930

d) Resource Type:

Category: building

Historic Environment: rural

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): school (purported); post office

Known Design Source: none

Maryland Historical Trust

State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. CT-279

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

1. Name

historic Adelina School (purported)

and/or common

2. Location

street & number intersection of Adelina and Old Adelina roads

☐ not for publication

city, town Bowens

☐ vicinity of

congressional district

state Maryland

county Calvert

3. Classification

| Category | Ownership | Status | Present Use |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> district | <input type="checkbox"/> public | <input type="checkbox"/> occupied | <input type="checkbox"/> agriculture |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unoccupied | <input type="checkbox"/> commercial |
| <input type="checkbox"/> structure | <input type="checkbox"/> both | <input type="checkbox"/> work in progress | <input type="checkbox"/> educational |
| <input type="checkbox"/> site | Public Acquisition | Accessible | <input type="checkbox"/> entertainment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> object | <input type="checkbox"/> in process | <input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted | <input type="checkbox"/> government |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> being considered | <input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted | <input type="checkbox"/> industrial |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> not applicable | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no | <input type="checkbox"/> military |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> museum |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> park |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> private residence |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> religious |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> scientific |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> transportation |
| | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: storage |

4. Owner of Property

name Jack W. Simmons and Marie A. Bonney

street & number 1385 Adelina Road

telephone no.: unlisted

city, town Prince Frederick

state and zip code MD 20678

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Calvert County Circuit Court Clerk's Office

liber ABE 818

street & number 175 Main Street

folio 614

city, town Prince Frederick

state MD

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Calvert County Historic Sites Survey

date 1978

☐ federal ☐ state ☒ county ☐ local

depository for survey records Maryland Historical Trust

city, town Crownsville

state MD

7. Description

Survey No. CT-279

Condition

☐ excellent
☐ good
☐ fair

☒ deteriorated
☐ ruins
☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered
☐ altered

Check one

☐ original site
☒ moved

date of move 1930s

The purported Adelina School, used in recent years for storage, is a small single-story, wood-framed building located at the junction of Adelina and Old Adelina roads in west central Calvert County. Surrounding land use is residential and agricultural, and the building is presently located on the same parcel as a modern ranch house to its south.

The building, rectangular in plan, is a single bay wide in its gable end, and two bays deep. It may have originally had its entrance in the gable end, but this entrance has been relocated to its east elevation. The side elevations of the building are fenestrated with six over six, wood-framed windows. A four-light window is situated in the peak of the north gable end, while a jalousie window is situated in the peak of the south gable end. The walls are sheathed in tarpaper and asphalt paper patterned to resemble bricks. The roof junction is marked by an open cornice, and the roof is sheathed in corrugated metal. The south end of the building is raised on rock-faced concrete block piers.

8. Significance

Survey No. CT-279

| Period | Areas of Significance--Check and justify below | | | |
|-------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistory | <input type="checkbox"/> community planning | <input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> religion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499 | <input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic | <input type="checkbox"/> conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> law | <input type="checkbox"/> science |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599 | <input type="checkbox"/> agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> economics | <input type="checkbox"/> literature | <input type="checkbox"/> sculpture |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699 | <input type="checkbox"/> architecture | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> education | <input type="checkbox"/> military | <input type="checkbox"/> social/ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799 | <input type="checkbox"/> art | <input type="checkbox"/> engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> music | <input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899 | <input type="checkbox"/> commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement | <input type="checkbox"/> philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> theater |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900- | <input type="checkbox"/> communications | <input type="checkbox"/> industry | <input type="checkbox"/> politics/government | <input type="checkbox"/> transportation |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> invention | | <input type="checkbox"/> other (specify) |

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☒ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D
 and/or
 Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G
 Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

The Adelina School is unusual for its small size, smaller than most other existing one-room schoolhouses in Calvert County. In fact, it is not entirely certain that the building was constructed as a schoolhouse. Jack Simmons, the present owner of the property, indicated that he had heard that the building served as local post office and that the school was located further north on Adelina Road.

The previous survey of the property, completed in 1978, contains the following significance statement:

On the same side of Adelina Road as the Doctor's office but further south, was a schoolhouse. Conflicting stories concern both a nineteenth century one-room school and a twentieth century school that has burned down. The 1873 *Atlas* indicates a school on the west side of Adelina Road but it is some distance north of Sixes Road on the bypass to the crossroads. All sources agree, however, that in the early part of this century there was a school near the doctor's office, south of Sixes Road. Many claim that the single room frame structure on the Simmons property is part of that school which was moved across the street when the present Adelina Road was worked upon in the 1930s. The circular sawn materials seen in the soffit of the eaves and the studs along with the wire nails point toward a relatively modern date for this building although it could be as much as eighty years old. It has been used in the past as a residence. The exposed ceiling joists and thick coats of whitewash help to create an early appearance (Nield 1978).

The present appearance of the building and its small size suggests a use such as a post office or residential or agricultural outbuilding rather than a school. Until it is conclusively demonstrated to have functioned as a school, its significance is uncertain.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. CT-279

Simmons, Jack. Interview. May 1998.

Stinson, Merry & Wayne Nield. Adelina School MHT Inventory Form #CT-279. May 1978.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property less than 1Quadrangle name Broomes IslandQuadrangle scale 1:24,000UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

| | | | |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| A | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
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| F | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| H | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |

Verbal boundary description and justification

That portion of the northern section of Parcel 30-14 that contains the surveyed building. This is the property historically associated with the building.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

| | | | |
|-------|------|--------|------|
| state | code | county | code |
| state | code | county | code |

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Douglas C. McVarish, Project Architectural Historianorganization John Milner Associates, Inc.date May 1998street & number 1216 Arch Street, 5th Floortelephone 215-561-7637city or town Philadelphiastate PA

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

return to:

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DHCP/DHCD
100 COMMUNITY PLACE
CROWNSVILLE, MD 21032
(301-514-7600)

CT-279

Adelina School

Bowens

1873 or later

Private

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Schoolhouse (Site), Adelina School

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Old Adelina Road

CITY, TOWN

Bowens

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

MD

COUNTY

Calvert

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☐ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☒ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☐ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES- RESTRICTED☐ YES- UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ MUSEUM☐ COMMERCIAL☐ PARK☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ RELIGIOUS☐ GOVERNMENT☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ MILITARY☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Calvert County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

Main Street (Maryland Route 765)

CITY, TOWN

Prince Frederick

STATE

MD

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

CT-279

7 DESCRIPTION**CONDITION**

☐ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☐ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☐ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

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CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

| PERIOD | | AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW | | | |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING | <input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499 | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION | <input type="checkbox"/> LAW | <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION | <input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY | <input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN | |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900- | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS | <input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY | <input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) | |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION | | | |

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY Significance statement: Wayne Nield. Form compiled by:

NAME / TITLE

ORGANIZATION

May 1978

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

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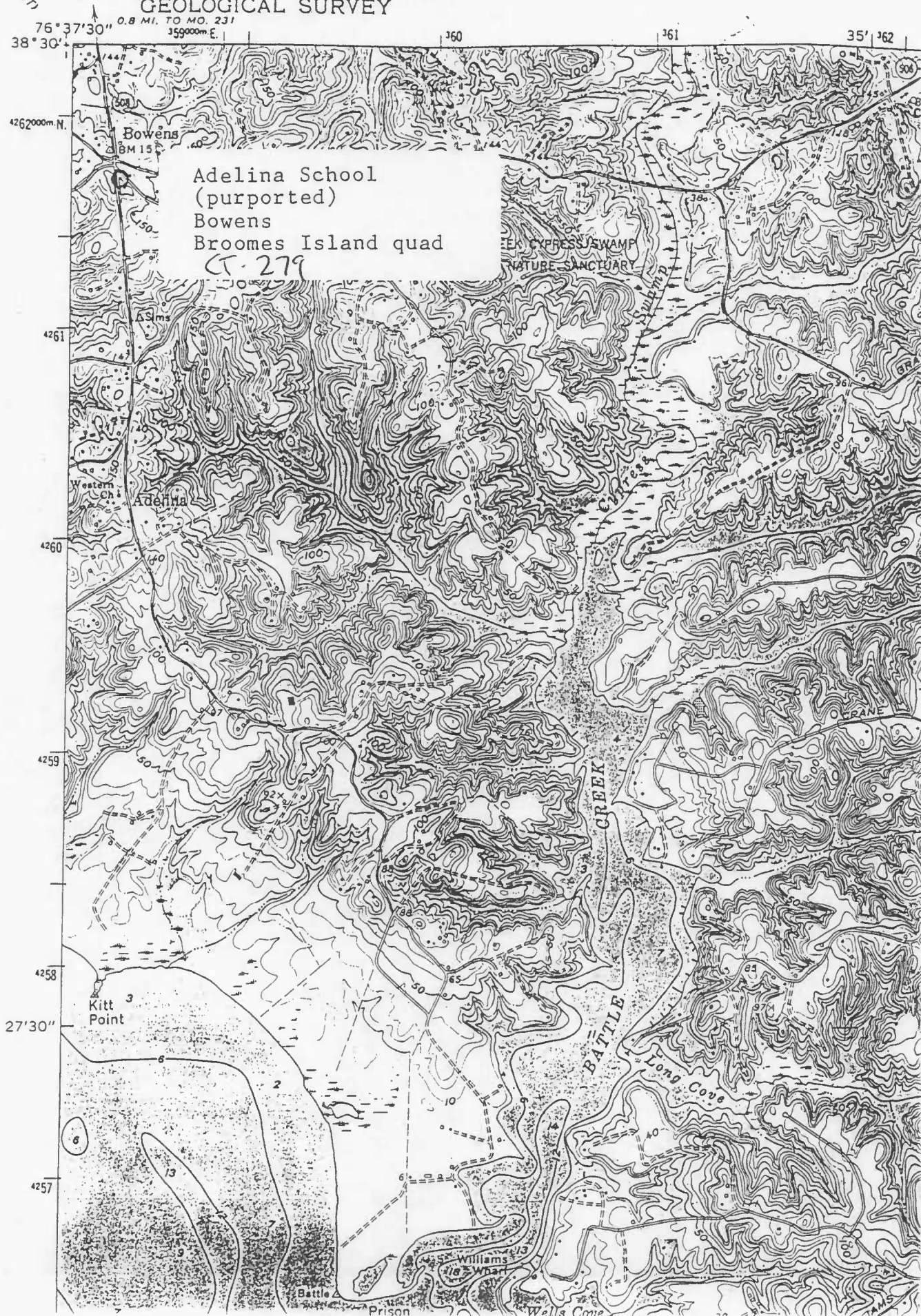


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GEOLOGICAL SURVEY











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